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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir:

| | This is a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, pending prior Application No. $\underline{10/614,067}$ (Confirmation No. 8117), filed on | | | | | |
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| 1. | Please enter the Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed on in Application No. | | | | | |
| 2. | Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief filed on in Application No. | | | | | |
| 3. | A Reply to the Final Office Action dated March 13, 2006 is enclosed. | | | | | |
| 4. | . Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) is/are enclosed. | | | | | |
| 5. | An Information Disclosure Statement (in duplicate) is enclosed, including Form PTO/SB/08 (in duplicate) and copies of thirty-five (35) cited references. | | | | | |
| 6. | A suspension of action on the above-identified patent application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. | | | | | |
| 7. | A check in the amount of \$ in payment of the fee under 37 C.F.R. \$ 1.17(e) is enclosed. | | | | | |
| 8. | Please charge \$ 395.00 to Deposit Account No. 06-1075 (Order No. 001202-0132) in payment of the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). | | | | | |

A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.

9. FEE FOR ADDITIONAL CLAIMS

- [X] A fee for additional claims is not required.
- [] A fee for additional claims is required.

The additional fee has been calculated as shown below:

| | Claims Remaining After | Highest Number Previously | Present Extra | Rate | Fees | | | |
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| TOTAL CLAIMS | Amendment 78 | Paid for 80* | = | x \$50 | = \$ 0.00 | | | |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | 5 | - 5** | = | x \$200 | = \$ 0.00 | | | |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM | | | | + \$360 | = \$ 0.00 | | | |
| * If less than 20, ** If less than 3, | | | | TOTAL | \$0.00 | | | |
| 10. The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of \$ in payment of the fee for additional claims, and to charge any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) in connection with this Request, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed. | | | | | | | | |
| 11. Please grant a one-month, two-month, three-month, four-month, extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to the Examiner's Action of in the above-identified patent application. With the the extension, the time for replying is extended up to an including | | | | | | | | |
| 12. The appropriate fee for a -month extension of time to respond to the final rejection was timely paid on | | | | | | | | |
| 13. An additionalmonth extension of time to respond to the final rejection is requested. | | | | | | | | |
| 14. A check in the amount of \$ in payment of the extension-of-time fee is enclosed. | | | | | | | | |
| 15. Please charge the extension-of-time fee of \$ to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed. | | | | | | | | |
| The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 in connection with this paper, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075 (Order No. 001202-0132). A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed. | | | | | | | | |
| April 19, 2006 (Date) | | Agent for Fish & Ne Ropes & G Customer 1251 Aven New York, | ion No. 52 Applicant ve IP Gro ray LLP | up Americas 10020-1105 | <u> </u> | | | |